

ONGOING RESOURCE FAMILY ASSESSMENT (ORFA)

Date of Assessment:

Family Name:

Resource Family Consultant Completing Assessment:

Assessment: Initial [] Updated: []

PARENTS:	DOB:	AGE:					OCCUPATION:
CHILDREN:	DOB:	AGE:	BIO:	ADOPT:	GUARDIAN-SHIP:	FOSTER:	LIVING AT HOME:

RESOURCE FAMILY'S CURRENT SITUATION (Placement history, changes in family situation, employment, finances, health, marital status, or any events or circumstances that could impact the children in foster care placed in their home):

FORMAL AND INFORMAL SUPPORTS (What supports have you accessed? Cluster participation, community resources, spiritual supports, friends, family, extended family members):

PARTNERSHIP (Resource family relationship with DCFS caseworkers, DCFS RFCs, biological parents, the court, schools, and medical and mental health treatment providers. Are they participating in Child and Family Team Meetings? Are they valued CFT members? Do they support the primary and concurrent permanency plans? Do they support visitation and reunification?):

FAMILY STRENGTHS (Parenting practices, types of children they work best with, learned knowledge, motivations to foster, involved with the children in their care, growth and development as a resource family, altruistic, satisfied with their lives, resourceful, tolerant of loss, anxiety, and ambiguity, sense of humor):

FAMILY CHALLENGES (Unresolved grief, loss, and fertility issues, limitations as a resource family, possessive of the child, desperate for a child, unrealistic expectations of foster care/adoption, high stress and anxiety levels, need to do and redo past relationships, aggressive and power and control issues):

FAMILY NEEDS (Additional support from DCFS caseworkers and RFCs, Child and Family Team participation, training needs, ideas for retention):

CULTURAL RESPONSIVENESS (Personal/family values and morals, level of acceptance of diversity and other cultures, knowledge base of cultural differences, cultural awareness, family traditions, ethnic identity, ability to adjust to a child's culture (developmental delays, race, ethnicity, gay/lesbian, etc.):

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS/COLLATERAL INFORMATION (Comments and concerns from DCFS caseworkers, RFCs, or partnering agencies, prior or current action plans):